

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CUTTING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT
PACKAGES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

October 11, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, before line 1, insert --This application claims priority under 35 USC §

AI 119(e)(1) of provisional application numbers 60/249,392 filed 11/15/00.--